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In re the Application of:

BONNET, et al.

Art Unit: 3732

Application No.: 09/423,858

Examiner: Lewis, Ralph A.

Filed: February 25, 2000

Attorney Dkt. No.: 024118-00012

For: PREFORM FOR OBTAINING AFTER DEFORMATION CUSTOMISED  
ORTHODONTIC APPLIANCES OR DENTAL ORTHOPAEDICS RESULTING  
APPLIANCES AND METHODS FOR OBTAINING SAME

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.116**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Date: September 23, 2002

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 21, 2002, a Petition for an Extension of Time for One Month being attached hereto, the following amendment is a full and complete response thereto.

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend the claims as follows:

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1. A preform with a variable thickness, for obtaining, after deformation, wherein said deformation is carried out without the use of revolution upon an axis, a personalized orthodontic or dentofacial orthopedic apparatus characterized by a three-dimensional hollow body which has a form that allows the preform's expansion inside a mold